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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: FIXING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of October 2, 2006 to April 2, 2007.

A check for the statutory fee of \$900.00 is attached. (Previous payment of \$120.00 was made for a one month extension of time on February 9, 2007). The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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